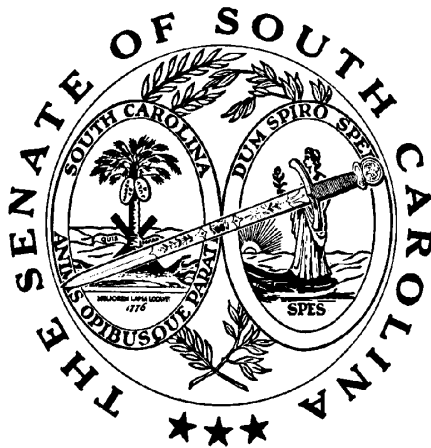


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Thursday, March 20, 2025
(Statewide Session)

~~Indicates Matter Stricken~~

Indicates New Matter

The Senate assembled at 11:00 A.M., the hour to which it stood adjourned, and was called to order by the PRESIDENT.

A quorum being present, the proceedings were opened with a devotion by the Chaplain as follows:

Deuteronomy 16:15

We read in Deuteronomy: “. . . for the Lord your God will bless you in all your produce and in all your undertakings, and you shall surely celebrate.”

Join me as we pray: O God of majesty and glory, as we think today about the many throughout our forty-six counties who labor actively to provide foods that we enjoy, we give you richest praise. For our farmers and dairymen, the owners of orchards, our commercial fishermen -- plus every organization which also provides support for these groups -- we offer our gratitude. And we pray, Lord, that You guide this Senate as it continues to do all that it can to strengthen even more so each one of these truly important industries and all who labor in them. With thanks to all of these workers, what great blessings do we enjoy here in South Carolina. In Your loving name do we pray. O Lord. Amen.

The PRESIDENT called for Petitions, Memorials, Presentments of Grand Juries and such like papers.

Call of the Senate

Senator PEELER moved that a Call of the Senate be made. The following Senators answered the Call:

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Corbin	Cromer
Davis	Devine	Elliott
Fernandez	Gambrell	Garrett
Graham	Hembree	Jackson
Johnson	Kennedy	Kimbrell
Leber	Martin	Matthews
Nutt	Ott	Peeler

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Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Williams	Young
Zell		

A quorum being present, the Senate resumed.

Doctor of the Day

Senator VERDIN introduced Dr. Bill Childers of Laurens, S.C., Doctor of the Day.

Leave of Absence

On motion of Senator GAMBRELL, at 11:34 A.M., Senator GOLDFINCH was granted a leave of absence for today.

Expression of Personal Interest

Senator TEDDER rose for an Expression of Personal Interest.

CO-SPONSORS ADDED

The following co-sponsors were added to the respective Bills:

S. 45 Sen. Stubbs
S. 245 Sen. Devine
S. 279 Sen. Campsen

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following were introduced:

S. 471 -- Senator Tedder: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR BOEING SOUTH CAROLINA FOR BEING A MANUFACTURING COMPANY THAT BRINGS GREAT PRIDE TO THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 472 -- Senator Massey: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE STROM THURMOND HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR WINNING THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAR'S 2025 STATE HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 473 -- Senator Johnson: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE FOREST CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR WINNING THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAR'S 2024 STATE MIDDLE SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 474 -- Senator Rankin: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE PALMETTO ACADEMY FOR LEARNING AND SUCCESS FOR WINNING THE 2025 WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPETITION.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 475 -- Senator Cromer: A SENATE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE RIVER BLUFF HIGH SCHOOL FOR WINNING THE 2025 WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION.

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The Senate Resolution was adopted.

S. 476 -- Senator Rice: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING CHAPTER 81 TO TITLE 2 SO AS TO CREATE THE "JOINT COMMITTEE ON FEDERALISM" TO EVALUATE CERTAIN FEDERAL LAWS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE, TO SPECIFY THE PROCESS OF EVALUATION, AND TO SET FORTH OTHER DUTIES.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

S. 477 -- Senator Davis: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-210, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF A "SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVE" IN THE PHARMACY PRACTICE ACT, SO AS TO REVISE THE DEFINITION; BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-230, RELATING TO PHARMACISTS

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PERMITTED TO DISPENSE SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, SO AS TO PROVIDE SUCH DISPENSATIONS MAY BE MADE PURSUANT TO CERTAIN WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 40-43-240, RELATING TO WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS BY THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS AND THE BOARD OF PHARMACY TO AUTHORIZE PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES WITHOUT PATIENT-SPECIFIC WRITTEN ORDERS, SO AS TO INSTEAD PROVIDE THE DISPENSATIONS MAY BE MADE UNDER STANDING ORDERS OR WITHOUT STANDING ORDERS WHEN DISPENSED OR ADMINISTERED PURSUANT TO CERTAIN WRITTEN JOINT PROTOCOLS.

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Read the first time and referred to the Committee on Medical Affairs.

THE SENATE PROCEEDED TO A CALL OF THE UNCONTESTED LOCAL AND STATEWIDE CALENDAR.

**READ THE THIRD TIME
SENT TO THE HOUSE**

The following Bills were read the third time and ordered sent to the House:

S. 165 -- Senators Campsen, Graham and Sutton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA CONSERVATION EDUCATION ACT"; AND BY ADDING SECTION 50-9-980 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONSERVATION EDUCATION FUND AND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH REVENUES IN THE FUND MAY BE EXPENDED.

S. 287 -- Senators Alexander, Hutto, Grooms, Verdin, Davis, Turner, Gambrell, Hembree, Cromer, Kimbrell, Elliott, Zell, Ott, Garrett, Graham and Walker: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 44-95-65 SO AS TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR THE SALE OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS SECTION; AND TO PROVIDE A TIMELINE FOR THE REQUIRED DEALER CERTIFICATION,

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DIRECTORY PUBLICATION, AND EFFECTIVE DATE OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS.

OBJECTION

S. 150 -- Senators Blackmon and Graham: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA RENTAL KART AGE ACT"; BY AMENDING SECTION 41-18-30, RELATING TO APPLICABILITY AND EXCEPTIONS FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA AMUSEMENT RIDES SAFETY CODE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL IS ALLOWED TO OPERATE A RENTAL KART IF THEY ARE EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR ARE FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND HOLD A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE OR PERMIT; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 41-18-40, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA AMUSEMENT PARK RIDES SAFETY CODE, SO AS TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.

Senator JOHNSON objected to consideration of the Bill.

**READ THE THIRD TIME
SENT TO THE HOUSE**

The following Bill was read the third time and ordered sent to the House:

S. 279 -- Senators Massey and Campsen : A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 41-29-20, RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, REMOVAL, AND COMPENSATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE; BY AMENDING SECTION 41-29-35, RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SO AS TO PROVIDE QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE; BY AMENDING SECTION 41-27-710, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE, SO AS TO REMOVE THE PROVISION THAT A PERSON MAY NOT BE APPOINTED UNLESS THE COMMITTEE FINDS THE APPOINTEE QUALIFIED; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 41-27-720, RELATING TO DUTIES OF COMMITTEE, SO AS TO REMOVE THE PROVISION THAT THE COMMITTEE SHALL

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NOMINATE THREE QUALIFIED APPLICANTS FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE GOVERNOR.

ORDERED ENROLLED FOR RATIFICATION

The following Bill was read the third time and, having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act and enrolled for Ratification:

H. 3933 -- Reps. Mitchell and B. Newton: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 33-36-1330, RELATING TO APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS, SO AS TO ESTABLISH A SEVEN-MEMBER BOARD AND TO CHANGE THE APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE.

OBJECTION

S. 171 -- Senators Gambrell and Garrett: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 75, TITLE 39 SO AS TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR WASTE TIRE MANIFESTS AND RELATED PROVISIONS; BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 75, TITLE 39 SO AS TO PROHIBIT THE INSTALLATION OF UNSAFE USED TIRES, AND RELATED PROVISIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-96-170(E) THROUGH (F), RELATING TO WASTE TIRES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY MAY CHARGE UP TO FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS AS A TIPPING FEE; BY AMENDING SECTION 44-96-170(N) THROUGH (S), RELATING TO WASTE TIRES, SO AS TO AMEND THE COLLECTION OF THE FEE TO INCLUDE USED TIRES, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE WASTE TIRE FEE AND RELATED WASTE TIRE FUNDS, TO REMOVE THE REBATE PROVISIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE MARKET INFRASTRUCTURE FOR TIRE-DERIVED PRODUCTS; TO DIRECT THE CODE COMMISSIONER TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES; AND TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS.

Senator CORBIN objected to consideration of the Bill.

OBJECTION

S. 235 -- Senators Kimbrell, Leber and Zell: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-90, RELATING TO PROSTITUTION, SO AS TO REVISE THE STATUTE TO PROHIBIT PROSTITUTION BY A PROSTITUTED PERSON AND TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR

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VIOLATIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-100, RELATING TO PROSTITUTION, SO AS TO REVISE THE STATUTE TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO A PERSON WHO SOLICITS CUSTOMERS FOR A PROSTITUTED PERSON AND TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; BY AMENDING SECTION 16-15-110, RELATING TO VIOLATIONS FOR PROSTITUTION, SO AS TO REVISE THE STATUTE TO PROHIBIT A PERSON FROM SOLICITING A PROTITUTED PERSON.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Bill.

The Committee on Judiciary proposed the following amendment (SJ-235.SW0003S), which was carried over:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 16-15-90(C), (D), and (E) and inserting:

(C) In the prosecution ~~or adjudication~~ of a person who is charged with a violation of this section, it is an affirmative defense to those charges that the person charged committed the violation under duress or was coerced into committing the violation as a result of being the victim of trafficking in persons.

(D) A person who ~~at the time that the person violated this section~~ was a minor at the time this section was violated ~~may~~ shall not be prosecuted pursuant to this section.

(E) A person who violates this section is guilty of a ~~felony and must be imprisoned for not more than five years.~~ misdemeanor, and upon conviction, must be punished as follows:

(1) for a first offense, a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than thirty days;

(2) for a second offense, a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than ninety days, or both; or

(3) for a third or any subsequent offense, a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or confinement for a period of not less than one year, or both.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 16-15-100(B)(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), and (12) and inserting:

(1) ~~Procure a female inmate for a house of prostitution;~~

~~(2) procure, recruit, sexually groom, cause, Cause, induce, persuade or encourage by promise, threat, violence, or by any scheme or device a female person to become a prostitute or to come into or leave this State~~

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or to enter, remain, or reside in a house of place, structure, building, vehicle, trailer, or conveyance for the purpose of prostitution;

~~—(3) Induce, persuade or encourage a female to come into or leave this State for the purpose of prostitution or to become an inmate in a house of prostitution;~~

~~— (4)(2) Receive ~~recieve~~ receive or give, or agree to receive or give, any money or thing of value for procuring or attempting to procure any female person to become a prostitute or an inmate in a house of prostitution;~~

~~— (5)(3) ~~Acecept~~ accept or receive knowingly any money or other thing of value without consideration from a prostitute; or~~

~~— (6)(4) keep or set up a trailer, place, structure, or building, or any other conveyance to facilitate prostitution;~~

~~— (7)(5) receive any person for purposes of prostitution into any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building;~~

~~— (8)(6) permit any person to remain for the purpose of prostitution in any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building;~~

~~— (9)(7) direct, take, or transport, offer or agree to direct, take or transport, or aid or assist in directing, taking, or transporting any person to any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building or to any other person with knowledge of or having reasonable cause to believe that the purpose of such directing, taking, or transporting is prostitution;~~

~~— (10)(8) lease or rent, or contract to lease or rent, any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building or part thereof believing or having reasonable cause to believe that it is intended to be used for prostitution;~~

~~— (11)(9) promote, market, or advertise prostitution on a media platform accessible to the public, including, but not limited to, social media platforms; or~~

~~(6)(12)(10) Aid, aid, abet or participate knowingly in the doing of any of the acts herein prohibited.~~

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

The amendment was carried over.

Senator KIMBRELL proposed the following amendment (SJ-235.SW0008S), which was proposed:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, SECTION 1, by striking Section 16-15-90 and inserting:

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~~—(10) Lease or rent or contract to lease or rent any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure or building or part thereof believing or having reasonable cause to believe that it is intended to be used for any of the purposes herein prohibited; or~~

~~(11)(5) Aid, abet, or participate knowingly in the doing of any of the acts herein prohibited by this section.~~

~~—(C) In the prosecution or adjudication of a person who is charged with a violation of this section, it is an affirmative defense to those charges that the person charged committed the violation under duress or was coerced into committing the violation as a result of being the victim of trafficking in persons if, as a direct result of or interrelated to trafficking, the person was under duress or coerced into committing the offense.~~

~~—(D) A person who at the time that the person violated this section was a minor at the time this section was violated may shall not be prosecuted pursuant to this section if, as a direct result of or interrelated to trafficking, the person was under duress or coerced into committing the offense.~~

~~—(E) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and must be imprisoned for not more than five years, misdemeanor, and upon conviction, must be punished as follows:~~

~~—(1) for a first offense, a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than thirty days;~~

~~—(2) for a second offense, a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than ninety days, or both; or~~

~~—(3) for a third or any subsequent offense, a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or confinement for a period of not less than one year, or both.~~

~~Section 16-15-100. (A) For the purposes of this section:~~

~~—(1) “Prostitution” means the practice or instance of engaging in sexual activity for money or any other thing of value.~~

~~—(2) “Sexual grooming” means a person’s attempt to gradually establish an emotional connection with a minor or members of a minor’s family to lessen the minor’s inhibitions to engaging in sexual activities with or at the direction of the person.~~

~~—(B) It shall further be unlawful to:~~

~~—(1) Procure a female inmate for a house of prostitution;~~

~~—(2)(1) procure, recruit, sexually groom, cause, Cause, induce, persuade or encourage by promise, threat, violence, or by any scheme or device a female person to become a prostitute or to come into or leave this State or to enter, remain, or reside in a house of place,~~

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structure, building, vehicle, trailer, or conveyance for the purpose of prostitution;

~~—(3) Induce, persuade or encourage a female to come into or leave this State for the purpose of prostitution or to become an inmate in a house of prostitution;~~

~~— (4)(2) Receive receive receive or give, or agree to receive or give, any money or thing of value for procuring or attempting to procure any female person to become a prostitute or an inmate in a house of prostitution;~~

~~— (5)(3) Accept accept or receive knowingly any money or other thing of value without consideration from a prostitute; or~~

~~—(6)(4) keep or set up a trailer, place, structure, or building, or any other conveyance to facilitate prostitution;~~

~~—(7)(5) receive any person for purposes of prostitution into any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building;~~

~~—(8)(6) permit any person to remain for the purpose of prostitution in any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building;~~

~~—(9)(7) direct, take, or transport, offer or agree to direct, take or transport, or aid or assist in directing, taking, or transporting any person to any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building or to any other person with knowledge of or having reasonable cause to believe that the purpose of such directing, taking, or transporting is prostitution;~~

~~—(10)(8) lease or rent, or contract to lease or rent, any vehicle, conveyance, trailer, place, structure, or building or part thereof believing or having reasonable cause to believe that it is intended to be used for prostitution;~~

~~—(11)(9) promote, market, or advertise prostitution on a media platform accessible to the public, including, but not limited to, social media platforms; or~~

~~(6)(12)(10) Aid, aid, abet or participate knowingly in the doing of any of the acts herein prohibited.~~

~~(C) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and must be imprisoned for not more than five years. A person who violates this section must be punished as follows:~~

~~—(1) for a first offense, a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than sixty days;~~

~~—(2) for a second offense, a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than one hundred eighty days, or both; or~~

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(3) for a third or any subsequent offense, a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not less than five years, or both.

Amend the bill further, SECTION 1, by striking Section 16-15-110 and inserting:

~~—(3) for the third or any subsequent offense, a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or imprisonment for not less than one year, or both.~~

(B) It is unlawful for a person to solicit, induce, entice, or offer money or anything of value to a prostituted person for the purpose of engaging in prostitution.

(C) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and must be imprisoned for not more than five years. A person who violates this section must be punished as follows:

(1) for a first offense, a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than sixty days;

(2) for a second offense, a fine not exceeding three thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not more than one hundred eighty days, or both; or

(3) for a third or any subsequent offense, a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars or confinement in prison for a period of not less than five years, or both.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Senator KIMBRELL explained the amendment.

Senator JACKSON objected to further consideration of the Bill.

AMENDED, READ THE SECOND TIME

S. 336 -- Senators Alexander, Massey and Rankin: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 2-19-90, RELATING TO APPROVAL OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JOINT SESSION, SO AS TO SET THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF MARCH FOR THE ELECTIONS OF JUDGES BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Bill.

Senator CAMPSSEN proposed the following amendment (SFGF-336.BC0002S), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

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SECTION X. Section 2-19-80(E) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

(E) ~~A period of at least twenty-two days must elapse between the date of the commission's nominations to the General Assembly and~~ The commission must formally release its report as to the qualifications of its nominees to the General Assembly not less than twenty-three days before the date the General Assembly conducts the election for these judgeships.

Amend the bill further, by striking SECTION 2 and inserting:

SECTION 2. This act takes effect ~~upon approval by the Governor~~ on July 1, 2025.

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Senator CAMPSSEN explained the amendment.

The amendment was adopted.

The question being the second reading of the Bill.

The “ayes” and “nays” were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 40; Nays 0

AYES

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Hembree
Jackson	Johnson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Matthews	Nutt	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Williams	Young
Zell		

Total--40

NAYS

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Total--0

There being no further amendments, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

READ THE SECOND TIME

H. 3814 -- Rep. Hixon: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE SURFACE WATER STUDY COMMITTEE MAY STUDY THE CURRENT STATE OF GROUNDWATER IN THIS STATE AND TO POSTPONE THE DUE DATE OF THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Resolution.

The question being the second reading of the Resolution.

The "ayes" and "nays" were demanded and taken, resulting as follows:

Ayes 40; Nays 0

AYES

Adams	Alexander	Allen
Bennett	Campsen	Cash
Chaplin	Climer	Corbin
Cromer	Davis	Devine
Elliott	Fernandez	Gambrell
Garrett	Graham	Hembree
Jackson	Johnson	Kennedy
Kimbrell	Leber	Martin
Matthews	Nutt	Peeler
Rankin	Reichenbach	Rice
Sabb	Stubbs	Sutton
Tedder	Turner	Verdin
Walker	Williams	Young
Zell		

Total--40

NAYS

Total--0

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The Resolution was read the second time, passed and ordered to a third reading.

POINT OF ORDER

S. 367 -- Senator Campsen: A BILL TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-200 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ABANDONED VESSELS, DERELICT VESSELS, AND SUNKEN VESSELS ARE DECLARED TO BE PUBLIC NUISANCES; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-210 SO AS TO DEFINE TERMS RELATED TO ABANDONED AND DERELICT VESSELS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-220 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE PENALTIES FOR A PERSON THAT CAUSES OR ALLOWS A VESSEL TO BECOME AN ABANDONED VESSEL OR A DERELICT VESSEL AND THE PENALTIES FOR INTENTIONALLY OR RECKLESSLY CAUSING A VESSEL TO SINK; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-230 SO AS TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENFORCING THE ARTICLE; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-240 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR DECLARING CERTAIN VESSELS ABANDONED OR DERELICT; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-250 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECEIPT OF BONA FIDE PLANS OF REMOVAL FOR CERTAIN VESSELS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-260 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO REMOVES AND DISPOSES OF AN ABANDONED VESSEL OR A DERELICT VESSEL MAY COMMENCE A CIVIL ACTION AGAINST A RESPONSIBLE PARTY; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-270 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR THE REMOVAL OF VESSELS THAT HAVE SUNK; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-280 SO AS TO ALLOW FOR THE IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN VESSELS DETERMINED TO BE A SIGNIFICANT NAVIGATIONAL HAZARD OR A SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-290 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A WEBSITE AND APPLICATION FOR THE REPORTING OF CERTAIN VESSELS; BY REPEALING SECTION 50-21-190 RELATING TO ABANDONED WATERCRAFT; BY REPEALING SECTION 50-23-205 RELATING TO THE SEIZURE OF CERTAIN WATERCRAFT; AND BY REPEALING SECTION 50-21-10(1) RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF ABANDON.

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Point of Order

Senator MARTIN raised a Point of Order under Rule 39 that the Bill had not been on the desks of the members at least one day prior to second reading.

The PRESIDENT sustained the Point of Order.

CARRIED OVER

S. 469 -- Fish, Game and Forestry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO CHECK, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5331, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Resolution.

Senator CAMPSEN explained the Resolution.

On motion of Senator CAMPSEN, the Resolution was carried over.

CARRIED OVER

S. 470 -- Fish, Game and Forestry Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, RELATING TO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA REGULATIONS; TURKEY HUNTING RULES AND SEASONS; AND BEAR HUNTING RULES AND SEASONS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 5332, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Resolution.

Senator CAMPSEN explained the Resolution.

On motion of Senator CAMPSEN, the Resolution was carried over.

Motion Adopted

On motion of Senator HEMBREE, the Senate agreed to stand adjourned.

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MOTION ADOPTED

On motion of Senators HEMBREE ADAMS, ALEXANDER, ALLEN, BENNETT, BLACKMON, CAMPSER, CASH, CHAPLIN, CLIMER, CORBIN, CROMER, DAVIS, DEVINE, ELLIOTT, FERNANDEZ, GAMBRELL, GARRETT, GOLDFINCH, GRAHAM, GROOMS, HUTTO, JACKSON, JOHNSON, KENNEDY, KIMBRELL, LEBER, MARTIN, MASSEY, MATTHEWS, NUTT, OTT, PEELER, RANKIN, REICHENBACH, RICE, SABB, STUBB, SUTTON, TEDDER, TURNER, VERDIN, WALKER, WILLIAMS, YOUNG and ZELL, with unanimous consent, the Senate stood adjourned out of respect to the memory of former Representative John James “Bubber” Snow, Jr. of Hemingway, S.C. John was a retired House of Representative member who served the Democratic Party from 1977 – 1994 and 2001 – 2002 representing Williamsburg County. John was a graduate of Clemson University with a degree in science and was a farmer and businessman. He loved shag music and was instrumental in having the shag named as our state dance. John was a loving father and doting grandfather who will be dearly missed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:19 P.M., on motion of Senator HEMBREE, the Senate adjourned to meet tomorrow at 11:00 A.M. under the provisions of Rule 1 for the purpose of taking up local matters and uncontested matters which have previously received unanimous consent to be taken up.

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